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1. SUNDAY TIMES ARTICLE OCTOBER 20 REPORTS GOVERNMENT USING "MORAL SUASION" TO ENCOURAGE IMPORTERS TO ARRANGE 180 DAY PAYMENT TERMS WITH THEIR FOREIGN SUPPLIERS. WE REPORTED THIS PRACTICE IN REF A BUT HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY SEEN IT IN PRESS.

2. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER WHETHER THIS KIND OF PRACTICE SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN SA NON-TARIFF BARRIERS LISTED REF B. IF PUSHED FAR ENOUGH, "MORAL SUASION" COULD BECOME REAL NTB AND
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IT WOULD PROBABLY BE WORTHWHILE AT LEAST TO QUERY SA ABOUT IT

AT GATT OR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS MEETINGS.

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